

To the 1st Int: Did you know Col Thomas Hammond in his lifetime?
 Answer: No, not personally.

2^d Int: Did you ever have any communication with Col Hammond (excepted to) about the farm now occupied by Mrs Wood?

Answer: Well, Mrs & Mrs. Wood wanted to know whether I would sell it or not I told them I would and they also asked me the price. They went away, and they came back in a short time and brought me a letter with them, for Col Hammond (which letter is lost I don't keep those kind of letters I am satisfied it is destroyed & I know I haven't got it) stating in that letter that he had given that farm to Mrs Wood that she could sell it and make a payment on my farm or trade to me for my farm and he would make the deal at any time it was necessary.

(Answer excepted to by the Complainant)

3^d Int: Did you do nothing by reason of the statements contained in said letter? If yes, state what you did fully?

Answer: Yes I made a contract with Mrs Wood for a sale of the property. There was a memorandum or contract in writing that I signed with a lead pencil I think. There was a day set, and we went up to Col Hammond and I had made up my mind that it wasn't worth while to sell the property without Col Hammond would endorse the notes, and when we got up there I called Basil Wood to one side and asked him to ask Col Hammond whether he would endorse the notes, or not, and Col Hammond said he would not do it I told him I could not dispose of my property then.

Defent: here filed "Exhibit A. A." which is admitted to be the memorandum referred to above and the body of which is admitted to be in the handwriting of Col Thomas Hammond. Also "Exhibit C. B." which is also admitted to be in the handwriting of Col Thomas Hammond Burgess Hammond, a witness of lawful age produced upon the part of Basil Wood's wife Defendants being duly sworn and examined to, Interrogated filed with the same sworn by the said Defendants and her oath returned deposed and says,

To the 1st Int: Did you know Col Thomas Hammond in his lifetime?
 Answer: I did.

2^d Int: Have you ever heard Col Hammond say anything about the property upon which Mrs L. L. Wood now resides? If yes, state what was said by him, and as nearly as you can the time and place?

Answer: Well, some ten or eleven years ago I rode down to see him I was attending to some business for him and that is what took me there. He remarked to me, "Burg, you ought to have been down yesterday", I said "Why, uncle Sam?" Well said he, "Lottie & Bas was here & they have bought Alexander's farm, that Lottie had sold her place and bought Alexander's farm", now says he "Alexander found when I wouldn't go on the notes that he wouldn't be able to get the